



WASHINGTON STATE
GAMBLING COMMISSION

Field Operation Rule Interpretation

Question: What are the supervision requirements for house banked card rooms that also operate poker tables in a separate pit?

CITE: WAC 230-40-815 (3)(c)(ii)

SUMMARY:

Issue:

Card room operators have had concerns over the number of supervisors needed during each shift. Typically, not all tables are in operation at the same time and they are all covered by surveillance.

Decision/Reasoning:

WAC 230-40-815 (3)(c)(ii) states, "A floor supervisor is assigned the responsibility for the overall supervision of the conduct of gaming within a pit and can supervise no more than five tables: Provided, that a single supervisor may supervise up to seven tables, if only seven tables are in operation."

Poker tables operated in a separate pit are not counted as part of the seven tables when determining the appropriate levels of supervision. For example, a licensee with seven house banked tables in one pit and two poker tables in another pit would only be required to have two floor supervisors (one in the house banked pit and one in the poker pit). When more than seven house banked tables are operated the licensee is required to have one supervisor on duty for every five tables in operation.

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